

THE HONORABLE JAMES L. ROBERT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

BOMBARDIER INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

MITSUBISHI AIRCRAFT
CORPORATION, MITSUBISHI
AIRCRAFT CORPORATION AMERICA
INC., et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:18-cv-1543 JLR

**DEFENDANT MITSUBISHI AIRCRAFT
CORPORATION'S REPLY IN SUPPORT
OF ITS MOTION TO FILE UNDER
SEAL ITS OPPOSITION TO
BOMBARDIER'S UPDATED MOTION
FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION
AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS
THERE TO**

NOTE ON MOTION CALENDAR:

May 31, 2019

Based on the Court's guidance in its previous ruling on Bombardier's requested redactions, (*see generally* Dkt. 111), Defendant Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation ("MITAC") does not oppose Bombardier's request to seal certain information described in its response (Dkt. 220)—namely, the redactions in the Riedinger, Boyd, and Hansman declarations.¹ However, MITAC opposes Bombardier's request to seal portions of the Kanja declaration, as explained below.

¹ MITAC maintains its position that Bombardier has not justified — and cannot justify — withholding the redacted information for multiple reasons, including that much of what is redacted is public information. As MITAC's co-defendant, Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation America, Inc., has explained, there is no legal basis for such references to be shielded from public view. (*See* Dkt. 103, at 4-5; Dkt. 214.) Accordingly, while MITAC does not oppose Bombardier's request to seal the Riedinger, Boyd, and Hansman declarations, given the Court's ruling

1 The procedural posture of this motion to seal is recounted in this paragraph for the Court's
 2 reference. MITAC filed a Motion to File Under Seal Its Opposition to Bombardier's Updated
 3 Motion for a Preliminary Injunction ("Opposition") and Supporting Materials Thereto. (Dkt. 163.)
 4 The Motion asked the Court to seal its Opposition and thirteen supporting documents. (*Id.*)
 5 MITAC filed all its Opposition papers under seal because it had one week to respond to
 6 Bombardier's Updated Motion for a Preliminary Injunction, which left Bombardier no time to
 7 review MITAC's papers for allegedly confidential information and propose redactions, as had been
 8 the parties' practice for prior filings. (*See* Dkt. 207.) After Bombardier reviewed the documents,
 9 Bombardier's counsel informed MITAC's counsel that it believed four of the thirteen supporting
 10 documents should be redacted. (*See id.*) MITAC subsequently withdrew its Motion to File Under
 11 Seal and filed a Motion to Clarify that requested the Court seal only the following four documents:
 12 the Declarations of Jerry Riedinger (Dkt. 166), Stephen Boyd (Dkt. 167), Dr. Robert John
 13 Hansman, Jr. (Dkt. 168), and Hajime Kanja (Dkt. 171) (Collectively, the "Subject Declarations").
 14 MITAC asked the Court to seal the Subject Declarations because Bombardier contends that certain
 15 information in the Subject Declarations should be shielded from the public. (*See* Dkt. 207.) In
 16 response to MITAC's clarified Motion to Seal the Subject Declarations, Bombardier requests that
 17 the unredacted versions of the declarations remain under seal and that only the redacted versions
 18 remain available for public viewing.² (*See* Dkt. 220.)

19 While MITAC does not oppose redacting the requested portions of the Riedinger, Boyd,
 20 and Hansman declarations, MITAC believes the requested portion of the Kanja declaration should
 21 not be redacted because the declaration does not relate to any alleged Bombardier trade secret or

22 (Dkt. 111), MITAC respectfully maintains that Bombardier has not carried its burden to justify sealing the
 23 information (*see* LCR 5(g)(3); *see also* Stipulated Protective Order, Dkt. 109 at 6.3), as MITAC will show as this
 24 litigation continues.

25 ² In its response, Bombardier contends that it took reasonable efforts to maintain secrecy of Ex. C to the
 26 May 13 Riedinger declaration (Dkt. 166.) As explained in the attached Riedinger declaration, Bombardier's
 contention is incorrect, as is Bombardier's contention that the Riedinger declaration was "demonstrably inaccurate"
 when it stated that Ex. C was not designated confidential before the May 13 declaration was filed.

1 contain confidential information. Bombardier seeks to seal a portion of Exhibit B to the Kanja
 2 declaration that recites a federal regulation that is publicly available. (Dkt. 220 at 7-8.) Exhibit B
 3 is the Ayre Email at issue in MITAC's Motion to Seal Portions of Exhibits Attached to the
 4 Declaration of Mary Gaston. MITAC's position is set forth more fully in its contemporaneously
 5 filed reply brief supporting that Motion. In short, Bombardier claims the publicly available
 6 information in the Kanja declaration is a protectable trade secret without specifically connecting
 7 that information to any alleged trade secret that Bombardier has identified in this litigation.
 8 MITAC therefore respectfully requests that the Court decline to seal the portion of Exhibit B to
 9 the Kanja declaration.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify under penalty of perjury that on May 31, 2019 I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to the email addresses indicated on the Court's Electronic Mail Notice List.

DATED this 31st day of May 2019

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